**Tuesday Big Book Study**

**9:30 pm Korea/Japan Time**

Hello everyone and welcome to theTuesday Big Book Study meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous. I’m an alcoholic, and my name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ; I will be your chairperson for this meeting, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is your tech host. Say hello to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (wait for people to say hello). If you get disconnected, call aaonlinemeeting (BIG BOOK icon) from your contact list.

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (tech host) will rejoin you to the conference call.

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organisation or institution; does not wish to en- gage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

Thank you for attending the meeting tonight. This is an open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous, where all are welcome. If you are not an alcoholic, we ask that you just listen at tonight’s meeting, but please join us at the after-meeting, to ask any questions and for some friendly, casual conversation.

Is anyone new to Skype or AA that would like to say Hi? We would like to welcome you and begin to get to know you better (pause).

Is there anyone in attendance who needs meeting attendance verification at meeting’s end? (if so, ask them to put the email in the text box, and use the template at the end of this format to send the verification to that email at the end of the meeting)

Let’s all open our mikes and say the **Serenity Prayer** together.

This meeting is a Big Book Study meeting where we will read one short portion at a time from the big book and discuss it. We will read gradually from the Preface to the end of the chapter entitled Dr. Bob’s Nightmare. You can share your experience and knowledge on the portion read. It is a little different than other meetings, in that we are studying and analysing portions of the Big Book. Please limit sharing your experience and knowledge on the portion we just read. You can share multiple times.

[(Chairperson-please click/tap here to see where to pick up reading)](https://docs.google.com/document/d/11hRNsivxk04tacFWVMlE0FhvZp4mMY6KCZi5iQMpeDk/edit?usp=sharing)

If you have your own downloaded copy of the Big Book, you can paste directly into the text box the portion to read. If not, post the link: <https://aa.org/pages/en_US/alcoholics-anonymous> and say the following:

The link to the online version of the Big Book is in the text box. Click on the link, then scroll down to \_\_\_\_\_ (the chapter we’re on)\_\_\_\_\_, and then scroll to page \_\_\_\_\_. We are starting where it reads . . .

Could we have a volunteer to begin reading please? Tell the reader to stop when they have reached the end of the portion you have decided on (when people have finished sharing on that portion, go ahead and paste another portion and ask for a volunteer to read).

Thank you for reading. We will now discuss what we have just read. Please mute your microphone when you are not sharing and please refrain from cross talking and from commenting on anyone’s share or conversing extensively in the text box - these things can disrupt the meeting. Who would like to begin sharing?

**At 10:00 pm (the top of the hour) read this:**

Has anyone come in who is new to Skype or AA that would like to say Hi? This is not to embarrass you, but to welcome you to our meeting. (pause)

Again, reminding everyone, this meeting is a Big Book Study meeting where we are reading small portions from the Big Book, and discussing them. You can share your experience and knowledge what has been read. Please limit sharing your experience and knowledge on what we have read today. You can share multiple times.

**Copy and paste the following into the text box (including the PayPal link), but do not read out loud:**

**THE HOME GROUP**

For most A.A.s, membership in a single home group is one of the keys to continuing sobriety. In a home group, we learn to sustain friendships; we learn also through example what service looks like and, when we are ready, we can begin to accept service responsibilities ourselves. The home group affords individual A.A.s the privilege of voting on issues that affect the group and the Fellowship as a whole; it has remained, over the years, the strongest bond between the A.A. member and the Fellowship. If you would like to join this group as your home group, all that is required is to come to the monthly business and/or group conscience meeting (last Saturday of the month, immediately following the regular meeting), indicate your desire to be counted as a member, and then participate in the vote when a decision is to be made. Volunteering for service positions is not required, to be a member.

<https://www.paypal.me/aaonlinemeetings>

**Last Tuesday of month only:** **10:20 Korea/Japan time**

That’s all the time we have for sharing today, thank you to all who contributed.

This meeting has two service positions - Chair and Tech Host.

**The Tech Host** establishes the conference call at least 15 minutes before and maintains the call at least 15 min after meeting. They administer the call as detailed in the "**Chair and Host Guidelines** document found on the Umbrella Group’s page at the aaonlinemeeting.net website. Help will be provided for anyone volunteering for the first time. Is there someone who would like to volunteer to tech host this meeting for the Tuesdays of the upcoming month?

**The Chairperson f**acilitates the meeting using the current version of the format, downloaded from the Umbrella Group’s page at the [aaonlinemeeting.net](http://aaonlinemeeting.net) website. They decide on the portions of the book to consider for discussion, copy and paste the readings, and update the current reading link in the format at meeting’s end. They provide Meeting Attendance Verification if needed, using the template found at the end of the format. **If you’d like to volunteer but do not have copying and pasting capacity because you’re on a cell phone, someone can be found to copy and paste for you, so don’t hesitate to step up!** There is further guidance in the **Chair and Host Guidelines** document found on the Umbrella Group’s page at the aaonlinemeeting.net website. Is there someone who would like to volunteer to chair this meeting for the Tuesdays of the upcoming month?

**At 10:27 Korea/Japan Time**

That’s all the time we have for sharing today; thank you to all who contributed.

Are there any AA related announcements or anniversaries or important milestones?

This meeting has two service positions - Chair and Tech Host. On the last Tuesday of the month we will take 5 minutes to ask for volunteers for the upcoming month. Please consider volunteering for one of these service positions, as the meeting cannot be held if they are not filled.

This group encourages sponsorship. If you are available to sponsor, type yes in the text box. Call these people if you need a sponsor. There is a Group Conscience and/or Business Meeting of this, The Umbrella Group, on the last Saturday of each month, immediately after the regularly scheduled Saturday meeting, where service positions for the following month are finalised and pertinent issues are discussed. All are invited to the meeting and all are welcome to express opinions and contribute to the discussion. The motions made during the meeting are voted on by the Umbrella Group Members only. If you would like to make The Umbrella Group your home group and participate in the decision-making, we would be delighted to have you, please indicate your intent to join at the start of the meeting. More information about belonging to a Home Group is found in the chat box.

**7th Tradition**

Our 7th Tradition states that every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting declining outside contributions. The expenses for this group, shared with the other aaonlinemeeting groups, consist of two yearly payments to maintain the website. Any funds which exceed these expenses are forwarded within AA by the Intergroup. To contribute, please click on the PayPal link in the chat box.

We invite especially newcomers to join us in friendly, casual conversation immediately after the meeting. This brief After Meeting is offered as a moment for newcomers to ask any questions they may have. Priority to speak is given to the newcomers, and discussion about any controversial topics is to be avoided. If any two people need to debate or discuss anything controversial, they are requested to take the conversation to a private venue.

Post the following and ask for a volunteer to read:

**The 5th Step Promises from Chapter 6 pg. 75 of the Big Book**

Once we have taken this step, withholding nothing, we are delighted. We can look the world in the eye. We can be alone at perfect peace and ease. Our fears fall from us. We begin to feel the nearness of our Creator. We may have had certain spiritual beliefs, but now we begin to have a spiritual experience. The feeling that the drink problem has disappeared will often come strongly. We feel we are on the Broad Highway, walking hand and hand with the spirit of the universe.

**Let’s end with the serenity prayer.**

Meeting is done.

Please remember to update the document at the link:

[(Chairperson-please click/tap here to see where to pick up reading)](https://docs.google.com/document/d/11hRNsivxk04tacFWVMlE0FhvZp4mMY6KCZi5iQMpeDk/edit?usp=sharing)

**Meeting verification template:**

To whom it may concern:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(name)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attended the AA meeting at [aaonlinemeeting.net](http://aaonlinemeeting.net/) today from 2:30pm-3:30pm, Central European Time.  The meeting topic was Big Book Study, and today pages \_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_ were covered.

\_\_\_\_(your first name and last initial)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Chairperson